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THE BOY WHO TALKED TO DOGS

SLINGSBY AND STATE THEATRE COMPANY SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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BASED ON THE TRUE STORY OF NIMBIN'S FAMOUS "DOGMAN", DON'T MISS *THE BOY WHO TALKED TO DOGS* AS PART OF GEELONG ARTS CENTRE 'OUR SEASON 2022'

Running from Wednesday 13 to Saturday 16 July at Geelong West Town Hall, *The Boy Who Talked To Dogs* is a tough but tender tale celebrating the love of animals we share our homes and lives with.

Based on the true story of Nimbin's famous "Dogman" who grew up in Garryowen, Limerick, Martin finds solace from the iciness of a troubled home in 1970s Ireland by cuddling up to his German Shepherds, Major and Rex.

After running away at 13, Martin is adopted by a pack of six stray dogs who lead him back to human company and a new place where he "can be me".

Starring acclaimed Dublin actor, Bryan Burroughs, amidst a dazzling array of shadows, songs and stellar musicianship, *The Boy Who Talked To Dogs* is a mischievous and magical work for all ages from Adelaide's acclaimed Slingsby and State Theatre Company South Australia.

The Boy Who Talks to Dogs is based on the book by Martin McKenna and was adapted for the stage by Amy Conroy.

Each performance runs for 75 minutes without interval.

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Tickets are on sale now at geelongartscentre.org.au/our-season-2022/the-boy-who-talked-to-dogs. Get in quick!

As Geelong Arts Centre reaches the exhilarating height of their Little Malop Street Redevelopment, they are pleased to bring outstanding performances of *The Boy Who Talked To Dogs* to audiences from satellite venue, Geelong West Town Hall, nestled in the heart of Geelong West's Pakington Street.

The Boy Who Talked To Dogs is recommended for ages 12 years and above and contains themes of domestic violence.

QUOTES ATTRIBUTABLE

"After its incredibly successful premier at Adelaide Festival we are thrilled to welcome Slingsby and State Theatre Company South Australia to Geelong with their heartwarming production of The Boy Who Talked to Dogs."

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This is considered theatre that touches on uncomfortable subject matter through engaging and captivating storytelling, leaving audiences feeling moved and hopeful”.

Geelong Arts Centre Senior Producer - Programming & Creative Engine,
Penny McCabe

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SHOW FACT SHEET

VENUE, DATES & TIMES

DURATION 75 minutes, no interval

VENUE Geelong West Town Hall
Located at 153 Pakington Street, Geelong West
(Access via Albert Street carpark)

DATES & TIMES

WED 13 JUL 7:30PM
THU 14 JUL 7:30PM
FRI 15 JUL 7:30PM
SAT 16 JUL 1:00PM & 7:30PM

TICKETS & BOOKINGS

TICKET PRICES

FULL PRICE \$64
SENIOR/CONCESSION/STUDENT \$58
CHILD \$42
GROUPS OF 10 OR MORE \$54

BOOKINGS

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AVAILABLE SPOKESPEOPLE

BRYAN BORROUGHS Performer
ANDY PACKER Director

Talent interviews and photo opportunities may be available upon request. Contact Georgia Allen – Geelong Arts Centre Communications and Social Media Lead to discuss interview opportunities further.

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